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SUNDAY COLLECTION ~ 21st July - €5,274 **PARISH EXPENDITURE** ~ €3,443.59 **DONATIONS** ~ €145 **LECK GRAVEYARD DONATION** ~ €20 **DONATIONS TOWARDS CATHEDRAL FLOWERS:** $1 \times 0.00 = 0.00$ Thank you for your gift to God and His Church We deeply appreciate your continued Spiritual and Financial support.

To **BOOK A BAPTISM** please phone the Parochial House on 9121021. Please remember: Godparents: (1 male and 1 female over the age of 16).

BAPTISM PREPARATION ~ We have uploaded a number of videos under 'Featured Videos' for Parents, in Preparation for their child's Baptism on our website: www.steunanscathedral.ie

From Wednesday 4th September, we will continue the online ADULT FAITH **FORMATION** programmes on Zoom. This was a great success back in May and there has been increased demand for it from more parishes and parishioners around the Diocese. We will run this on a continuous basis throughout the year exploring various courses. Phone the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on 0749121853 for details.

'SYCAMORE' Programme - An online webinar for all parishes in the Diocese will take place on Thursday 12th September at 7 pm. One of the directors, Dr. Susan Longhurst will give a presentation as to what it is about, how to use it in parish etc. It will conclude with a O&A. Should you wish to explore more about Sycamore in the meantime, visit https://www.sycamore.fm/

The **RCIA** (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) for those wishing to be formed for entry to the Catholic Church will begin on Monday 16th September at the Pastoral Centre, Letterkenny and will continue each Monday evening for 23 weeks. For further details, please contact Brian at: dpr@raphoediocese.ie or 0749121853.

PILGRIMAGE IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL **GREECE**: 23rd October - 2nd November. The package is Land-Only for 10 nights/11 days. (Flights are arranged separately). The package is inclusive of 4-star hotel accommodation on a half-board basis, entrance fees to all sites, full licensed guide, ac bus, ferry tickets with cabin. Visiting places such as Athens, Corinth, Delphi, Kalambaka, Meteora, Veria, Thessaloniki, Philippi, Kavala, & Patmos. Mass and Adoration each day. The Spiritual Director is Fr. Joseph Mary Deane, CFR. For more information and cost please phone: Angela 089-2107277.

> St. Vincent de Paul Letterkenny: 9129503/9122366 We Care - Letterkenny Food Bank: 087-1471325



ST. EUNAN'S CATHEDRAL LETTERKENNY NEWSLETTER

Sunday 28th July 2024

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

In a move to foster devotion among the faithful, the Apostolic Penitentiary will grant a Plenary Indulgence to Catholics taking part today, Sunday 28th July, on the fourth WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY.



The World Day was established by Pope Francis in 2021 and is celebrated annually on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the liturgical memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The theme this year is: "Do not cast me off in my old age" (cf. Ps 71:9).

The plenary indulgence will be granted to grandparents, the elderly, and all faithful who "motivated by a true spirit of penance and charity" will participate in the various functions to be held for the day throughout the world. The indulgence is subject to the usual conditions of sacramental Confession, reception of the Eucharist, and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father. It will be valid only for the Fourth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.



LETTERKENNY REUNION MASS will be held in St. Eunan's Cathedral on Sunday 4th August at 6 pm. Everyone is very welcome. A Mass will also be held at the Mass Rock, Rodger's Burn, Glencar on Thursday 8th August at 7 pm. We will remember the deceased committee members of the Letterkenny Reunion at this Mass. Everyone is welcome. To access Rodger's Burn, continue on the road in front of Gaelscoil Adhamhnáin.

GRAMPIAN CONCERT ORCHESTRA (Aberdeen) with Tim Tricker, conductor, presents 'MUSIC FOR SUMMER' at 7.30 pm in St. Eunan's Cathedral on Sunday 4th August. Pieces on the evening will include: Grieg -Wedding Day at Troldhaugen; Morricone - Gabriel's Oboe; Beethoven - King Stephen Overture; Kalinnikov - Intermezzos 1 & 2; Faure - Pavane; Tricker -Ninian's Lilt etc. Admission is free and everyone is very welcome.

BLESSED ALEXANDRIA MARIA DA COSTA of Balasar, Portugal was paralysed for most of her life. She developed a great relationship with Jesus, offering her everything to him for the salvation of souls. In her words, she, 'a prisoner in her paralysed bed, would in her heart visit Jesus, the prisoner in the tabernacle'. As the years went by, lots of people went to her with prayer requests and many of these prayer requests were answered. Today, **Sunday 28th July**, we will open a shrine in St. Patrick's Church, Drumkeen (F93 D542), to seek the intercession of Blessed Alexandrina Maria Da Costa. You are invited to join us in prayer from 4 pm - 6 pm.

A VIDEO will be launched of 'LETTERKENNY STORIES FROM BY-GONE DAYS' in Dillon's Hotel on Monday 29th July at 8 pm. Proceeds from the sale of this video will be donated to Vision Ireland. Admission is free - light refreshments served. Everyone welcome.

MEDJUGORJE PRAYER MEETING will take place in the Diocesan Pastoral Centre on **Wednesday**, **31st July** at 8 pm with Rosary, Intercessory and Healing Prayers. The Medjugorje Prayer Meeting is held fortnightly.

FIRST SATURDAY ROSARY at the Market Square, Letterkenny will take place next **Saturday**, **3rd August** at 1 pm. Everyone welcome.

An **AFTERNOON RETREAT** will take place in the Divine Mercy Centre on **Saturday 10th August** from 2 pm. to 5.30 p.m. The theme will be: **'YOU ARE GOD'S WORK OF ART'** which we will explore through the Scriptures connecting it with Divine Mercy. The Sisters of Merciful Jesus invite you to a time of talks, moments of prayer, sharing and tea. You are most welcome. **Please note: it is necessary to book for all retreats.** To do so, or for more information please call us at: 0749169934 or email: dvmletterkenny@gmail.com

RAPHOE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK ~ Saturday 17th August. The Pilgrimage will be led by Fr. Kevin Gillespie. Schedule of Ceremonies: 2 pm - Outdoor Stations of the Cross and Rosary Procession; 3 pm - Concelebrated Mass at Knock Basilica with Anointing of the Sick.

The **Youth 2000 Summer Festival** will take place in Clongowes Wood College, Co. Kildare from **15th - 18th August** for 16 - 35 year olds. There will be a free bus leaving Letterkenny on the 15th August - returning on the 18th August. For more information: visit https://youth2000.ie/free-buses-to-the-summer-festival-2024/

'FAN THE SPARK' CONFERENCE for Young Adults (18-40) will take place on Saturday 24th August from 9.30 am - 5.30 pm in De Montfort House, Morning Star Avenue, Brunswick St., Dublin. Cost €15. Talks on art, faith, tour of Frank Duff's House, Mass, Adoration etc. Email: deusetpatria@gmail.com for info.

M-PACT (Moving Parents and Children Together) is a free eightweek programme rolled out by Alcohol Forum Ireland. It is for families with child/children aged 8-17 who are or have been affected by parental alcohol or substance misuse. The next programme will commence in Letterkenny on **Wednesday 31st July**. Please phone Tom on 085-2564088 or email info@alcoholforum.org for info.

Sunday 28th July ~ Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm Baptisms ~ 2.30 pm

Monday 29th July ~ St. Martha, St. Mary and St. Lazarus

8 am Mass ~ Una Kerlin RIP 10 am Mass ~ Mass of Thanksgiving

Tuesday 30th July ~ St. Peter Chrysologus

8 am Mass ~ Jim Curristan RIP 10 am Mass ~ Brendan Fanneran RIP 6 pm ~ Holy Face Devotions

Wednesday 31st July ~ St. Ignatius of Loyola

8 am Mass ~ Breige Callan RIP 10 am Mass ~ Special Intention Confessions: 7.30 pm

Thursday 1st August ~ St. Alphonsus Ligouri

8 am Mass ~ Celine Molloy RIP
10 am Mass ~ Priest's Intention
7 pm ~ Cathedral Youth Group meet in the Pastoral Centre
8 pm ~ Charismatic Prayer Group in the Conference Room

Friday 2nd August ~ St. Eusbius of Vercelli & St. Peter Julian Eyemard

8 am Mass ~ Special Intention 10 am Mass ~ Priest's Intention

7 pm Mass ~ Nuala McCrossan, Mary O'Donnell, Shaun Graham, Leo Finnegan, Joseph Finnegan, Celine Molloy and Una Kerlin RIP

Saturday 3rd August

10 am Mass ~ Mary Gallagher RIP (Month's Mind Mass)

Nuptial: 1 pm

Confessions ~ 12 noon - 1 pm and 7 pm

Vigil Mass ~ 6 pm

Sunday 4th August ~ Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Masses: 8 am, 10 am, 12 noon and 6 pm (Letterkenny Reunion Mass)
Baptisms: 2.30 pm